



# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
-----------------	-------------	----------------------	---------------------	------------------

09/679,391

10/03/2000

Daniel Bates

0007891-0002

6681

27160

7590

04/08/2008

PATENT ADMINISTRATOR

KATTEN MUCHIN ROSENMAN LLP

1025 THOMAS JEFFERSON STREET, N.W.

EAST LOBBY: SUITE 700

WASHINGTON, DC 20007-5201

EXAMINER

RICHER, AARON M

ART UNIT

PAPER NUMBER

2628

MAIL DATE

DELIVERY MODE

04/08/2008

PAPER

**Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.**

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.



## United States Patent and Trademark Office

Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and  
Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office

P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
[www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)

PATENT ADMINISTRATOR  
KATTEN MUCHIN ROSENMAN LLP  
1025 THOMAS JEFFERSON STREET, N.W.  
EAST LOBBY: SUITE 700  
WASHINGTON, DC 20007-5201

Appeal No: 2008-2687  
Application: 09/679,391  
Appellant: Daniel Bates et al.

### **Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences Docketing Notice**

Application 09/679,391 was received from the Technology Center at the Board on March 19, 2008 and has been assigned Appeal No: 2008-2687.

A review of the file indicates that the following documents have been filed by appellant:

Appeal Brief filed on: May 19, 2006  
Reply Brief filed on: September 28, 2006  
Request for Hearing filed on: NONE

In all future communications regarding this appeal, please include both the application number and the appeal number.

The mailing address for the Board is:

**BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES  
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
P.O. BOX 1450  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313-1450**

The facsimile number of the Board is 571-273-0052. Because of the heightened security in the Washington D.C. area, facsimile communications are recommended. Telephone inquiries can be made by calling 571-272-9797 and should be directed to a Program and Resource Administrator.

By order of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences